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March 6, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554
Attn: Wireline Competition Bureau

**Re: WC Docket No. 10-90
Rural Broadband Experiment Expression of Interest for Price Cap Areas
Mark Twain Communications Company**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Mark Twain Communications Company hereby expresses interest in participating in the Commission's rural broadband experiments to provide robust, scalable high-speed broadband to unserved high-cost areas with additional Connect America funding.¹ Mark Twain Communications Company is a CLEC serving rural areas of *Missouri*, and proposes deployment as follows.

Proposed Service Area

Knox, Missouri, Census Tract 29103960100.

The experiment will provide broadband service to 1 eligible high-cost location in unserved or underserved high-cost Census Blocks with this Census Tract.

Clark, Missouri, Census Tracts 29045950100, 29045950200 and 29045950300

The experiment will provide broadband service to 1,198 eligible high-cost locations in unserved or underserved high-cost Census Blocks with these Census Tracts.

Lewis, Missouri, Census Tracts 29111970100 and 0029111970200.

The experiment will provide broadband service to 184 eligible high-cost locations in unserved or underserved high-cost Census Blocks with these Census Tracts.

¹ See *Technology Transitions et al.*, GN Docket No. 13-5 et al., Order, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Report and Order, Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Proposal for Ongoing Data Initiative, FCC 14-5 (rel. Jan. 31, 2014).

Marion, Missouri, Census Tract 29127960200.

The experiment will provide broadband service to 267 eligible high-cost locations in unserved or underserved high-cost Census Blocks with this Census Tract.

Shelby, Missouri, Census Tract 29205450200.

The experiment will provide broadband service to 83 eligible high-cost locations in unserved or underserved high-cost Census Blocks with this Census Tract.

Proposed Services

Voice and Broadband services with broadband transmission speeds of at least 3 Mbps downstream/768 kbps upstream provided over Fiber and Fixed *Wireless Technology*.

Funding

Because the unserved high-cost census blocks within the selected Census Tract(s) have yet to be identified, Mark Twain Communications Company is unable to estimate the construction costs and amount of funding needed. The costs will be identified if and when a formal proposal is submitted.

Mark Twain Communications Company expects service within the unserved high-cost Census Blocks to be offered within 1-3 year after construction starts in any given census block. Without knowing the census block and location of the customers involved it would be difficult to be more specific.

Mark Twain Communications Company appreciates the opportunity to provide this non-binding expression of interest. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,



Jim Lyon
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Mark Twain Communications Company